

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, as amended herein, is respectfully requested. This Response is in response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2007. Claim 2 is pending in this application.

***Specification & Abstract***

The Abstract of the Disclosure is amended herein in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.72(b) and MPEP 608.01(b). No new matter has been added.

Per the Examiner's request, the title is amended to more clearly describe the claimed invention.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

In the Office Action, Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Fujita et al. (US 6,604,268).

The present invention relates to a coaxial cable, which is an electric wire for communication system, of such a type that a core wire is covered by a different mesh-type conductor layer in a coaxial cylindrical manner, more particularly to a method and apparatus for processing an electrical connection terminal for the coaxial cable. As defined in Claim 2, it is "An apparatus for processing an electrical connection terminal for a coaxial cable; wherein a core wire (internal conductor) has a different mesh-type conductor layer (external conductor) around it organized in a coaxial cylindrical manner via an inner-side insulator layer, the mesh-type conductor layer being covered by an outer-side insulator layer, characterized in comprising:  
a tool means for axially stripping an outer-side insulator layer in a terminal portion of the coaxial cable by a predetermined length and supporting the stripped terminal portion of the coaxial cable;

a turn means for tilting an axis of the tool means by an angle of  $\alpha$  degrees with respect to

an axis of the coaxial cable to thereby turn the tool means; and

an advancing/retreating means for advancing and retreating the tool means on the axis of the coaxial cable, interfacing the axis of said tool means with the axis of said coaxial cable, wherein a clearance is provided between the inner-side insulator layer and the mesh-type conductor layer by turning the tool means using the turn means to thereby expand the mesh-type insulator layer into a conical shape so that the mesh-type conductor layer expanded into the conical shape is folded outside of the outer-side insulator layer in response to a forward motion by the advancing/retreating means,

wherein the tool means is comprised of a tool member, and

the tool member is comprised of an outer-side cylindrical member supported by the advancing/retreating means and an inner-side cylindrical member axially supported in an expanding and energizing manner inside of the outer-side cylindrical member and supporting the stripped terminal portion of the coaxial cable.”

The features defined in Claim 2:

“a tool means for axially stripping an outer-side insulator layer in a terminal portion of the coaxial cable by a predetermined length and supporting the stripped terminal portion of the coaxial cable;”

and

“a turn means for tilting an axis of the tool means by an angle of  $\alpha$  degrees with respect to an axis of the coaxial cable to thereby turn the tool means;”

are not disclosed or suggested by Fujita et al.

Nowhere does Fujita et al. disclose an apparatus having a tool means supporting the stripped terminal portion of the coaxial cable, and the turn means of Claim 2. Neither is there any suggestion of these features or their effect in Fujita et al. Accordingly, it is submitted that the invention defined in Claim 2 is patentable over the device described in Fujita et al.


*Conclusion*

It is respectfully submitted that a full and complete response to the Office Action has been made. The claim is believed to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any further questions or concerns, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned attorney/agent.

A Petition for Extension of Time of one (1) month and the corresponding fee payment are submitted herewith. If any additional fees are occasioned by this Response, the Director is hereby authorized to charge them to, or to credit, Deposit Account 08-2442 of the undersigned.

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